

ROD & GUN Chatter

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Deep sea anglers all set for the mighty yellowtail at the border city to cut loose weren't disappointed as takes started on the increase first of the week. The Pularis checked in Monday with 50 heads from 16 to 35 lbs. Most were over the 20 pound mark. As expected, local anglers dropped everything to make the boat for Tuesday's haul.

Break came just about at the anticipated time. April 11 last year they were jumping in the boats around North Island, hitting anything that was thrown at them, several anglers limiting out.

Thought for a couple of days last week we might get an early break locally at Catalina. Lots of rumors concerning big white sea bass, besides direct insinuations. During a conversation with one of the answer men at Pier Point Landing Saturday morning, was informed that their special night run for white sea bass. The Sea Angler had just called in. Reported they had lost four "big ones" and landed one. When asked about the squid, he said it didn't come up too well, which was probably the reason they hadn't done better on whites.

According to one eager angler aboard, the big ones lost were sharks, the one landed was an 8 lb. sea trout and he only saw three squid all night. This particular angler had gone because he was informed when he called the landing that four were taken Tuesday night and six Wednesday night from 10 to 28 lbs. and that the water was loaded with squid. The deck hand aboard the Sea Angler told him they hadn't seen a white sea bass this year, but he had heard a commercial boat had picked up three a couple of weeks ago. Nothing like the landings padding their reports just to fill the boats. Kinda

giving a bum deal to the guys that keep them going.

Run on white sea bass should hit around the first of May, until then halibut, pencil barries and the usual run of bottom fish will dominate local deep sea fishing.

Torrance and National Rod and Gun junior members competed in a stinger derby at Newport Bay last Saturday night during all the blow with out a victor emerging. Not one rat tail taken. Will have to set another date during calmer weather for the duel between the young fry.

Surf addicts only managing to connect with a smattering of the elusive barred perch at popular 2nd St. in Hermosa. It's anyone's guess what happens now. Last year at this time it was just about dead, but surf enthusiasts still remember the phenomenal run in April of 1954. Wonder if we could be due for a repeat.

Bluebirds Set Tryouts

Torrance's semi pro baseballers, the Bluebirds, hold first tryouts of the season Sunday at 1 p.m. at Torrance Park. Manager Jack French related this week.

The 'Birds, 1955 Harbor League champs and fourth place finishers in the Southern California MUNY tournament at Wrigley Field, are shooting for the top again this season, he said.

"Although most of the players from last year's squad are expected to return to the fold," French said, "any player living in the Torrance area is welcome to attend the tryouts."

Longball hitting Swayne Johnson and Jack Schlarb, former SC pitcher, head up the list of returning vets.

SAXONS CLIP CHADWICK, 4-2

Santa Monica Buries Tartar Nine

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Wilson's 42 Leads Saxons To Golf Win

Bill Wilson's 42 led the Saxon golfers to a resounding 279-322 win over Santa Monica Monday in a practice match at Riviera Country Club.

Coach Bill Wood's clubbers took Mira Costa in their last outing before the Samohi match, 267-289.

The Saxons have cut down all opposition in their drive for the Pioneer League title but face real tough foes in loop members Beverly Hills and Morningside. Beverly is the defending CIP links champion and has all six members back from its 1955 squad.

Dave Scott and Steve Crowell, both with 43s, followed Wilson in Monday's outing at Riviera. Dick Komonyi's 43, and Gary Little and Nick Urban, both with 51s, were the other Saxon scores carded against Santa Monica.

Wood's sextet originally was scheduled to meet Cantwell tomorrow but the match was called off.

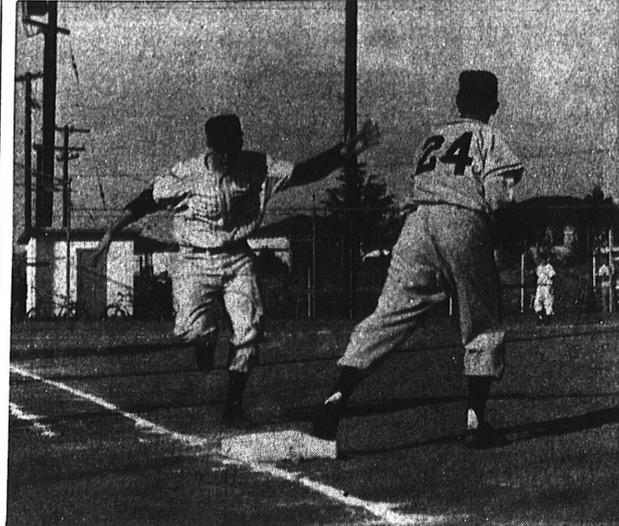
Umpire Course Slated at San Pedro, Here

A training course for new softball and baseball umpires to work games in this area will begin Monday at 7:30 p.m. at San Pedro's Anderson Field.

The course is under joint auspices of the Harbor District, Los Angeles Parks and Recreation Department and the Torrance Recreation Department. Elmer "Red" Moon, who may be contacted at the Torrance recreation office for information about the sessions, said the school will be held April 9 and April 16 at San Pedro's Anderson Field. Final field tests will be held April 23 at Torrance Park.

In addition to teaching the art of umpiring to new arbiters, the course also is designed to re-certify umpires participating in Southern California Municipal Athletic Federation leagues.

Interested persons may call Moon or show up at the first session next Monday at Anderson Field, 828 S. Mesa St., San Pedro.



NIPPED AT FIRST... Gene Crenshaw, Tartar first sacker, steps off bag after taking infield throw to retire oncharging Santa Monica runner in Bay League opener here Tuesday. Visiting Vikings had too much power for locals, banging out three booming home runs in registering 15-6 win. Fray was close until sixth inning, when winners counted seven times.

SAMOHİ USES BIG INNING TO DOWN THS

Torrance fought back valiantly trying to erase an early lead built up by Santa Monica in a Bay League lid-lifter here Tuesday but the Vikings blew the contest wide open in the sixth inning, scoring seven times to ice it, 15-6.

The difference was the home run which the Samohi prep put into the books three times during the day. They got eight RBIs on the trio of smashes.

Today the locals go up against their old nemesis Redondo in a Bay encounter at Redondo. Jess Hanon, who saw duty at third base against Santa Monica, will go on the hill for the Tartars.

Tom Mills couldn't get anyone out in the first inning as the Vikings went right to work. A single, walk, double and homer in that order finished Tom's mound work and he went to right field. Bob Clifford, left-handed, took over and got the side out.

Tartars Chop Lead The Vikings tallied twice in the second to take a 6-0 lead on another homer, this time by hurler Bob Bahn. But Torrance came back with three runs on five hits in their second. Charley Valencia's double was the big blow.

Santa Monica tallied twice more in the fourth to go ahead, 8-3, but again the Tartars trimmed the lead, this time to 8-6.

It happened. With the ball game looking like a brand new one, Samohi's Bob Lillard tied into a Clifford fast ball and sent it towering over the left field barrier to bring in three tallies and start off the winners' seven-run sixth.

Valencia Spiked Both teams got 11 hits, with Valencia's three for five pacing all the stickers. Charley was spiked in the first inning, while Valencia's play at second base continued in the lineup the rest of the way. Six stitches were required to close the gap after the fray. Sta. Monica 420 207 0-15 11 1 Torrance... 030 120 0-6 11 3 Bahn, Peterson and Ochoa; Mills, Clifford, Crenshaw and Grajeda.

Cagers Receive Awards Tonight

Morris Taft, UCLA cager, will present awards tonight at the Recreation Department-sponsored Father and Son Awards Night at the YWCA, 2326 W. Carson.

Due to the civic auditorium's floor being refinished, it was necessary to change the meeting place, a Recreation Department spokesman said Monday. The doings originally had been slated for the auditorium. More than 200 boys, participants in various recreation cage leagues during the past few months, will receive awards and certificates at the affair. Refreshments will be served after the presentations. Starting at 7 p.m., the fete will get under way with screening of the movie, "The Harlem Globetrotters."

Anderson Belts Third Home Run

Ron Anderson belted his third homer in as many games Monday to pace North High to a 4-2 non-league victory over Chadwick on the NHS diamond. Anderson's swat came with two runners on in the fifth frame, when the locals got all their runs. Little Tony Treese, sophomore control artist, twirled four innings of one-hit ball to pick up the win.

George Fouts and Bob Skinner relieved and gave up the pair of runs to Chadwick but still managed to preserve Treese's good work.

Anderson, with two for four, and Shortstop Kenny Simpson, who belted out three for four, were the hitting stars.

Today Coach Del Nuzum's club travels to El Segundo to a Pioneer League fray. The Saxons are 0-3 in league but have shown improvement in their last three games.

Hart and Bellflower pinned a couple of one-run losses on the Saxons in the recent Puente Tournament. The Saxons out-hit both teams but were dropped by Hart, 6-5, and by the Bucs, 7-6. Anderson swatted a homer in each of the games.

Nuzum will probably stick Anderson out on the mound today to face the Eagles.

Heavy hitters Simpson, Ernie Thomsen and Ray Grieshaber are counted on to team with Anderson to provide most of the Saxons' scoring punch.

North High (4)					
	AB	R	H	E	
Simpson, ss	4	1	3	0	
Beckett, 3b	4	1	1	0	
Anderson, 1b	4	1	2	0	
Thomsen, cf	3	0	0	0	
Fittinger, lf-c	4	1	1	0	
Bledsoe, c-1b	3	0	0	0	
Bartleson, 2b	2	0	0	0	
Grieshaber, lf	1	0	1	0	
Bolde, rf	1	0	1	0	
Treese, p	2	0	0	0	
Fouts, p	1	0	0	0	
Skinner, p	0	0	0	0	
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Under the sponsorship of the Torrance Police Car Club Assn. and the Los Angeles County Car Club Coordinating Council, the competition is open to car club members in El Segundo, Manhattan Beach, Hermosa, Redondo, Hawthorne, Gardena, Lomita, Harbor City, Palms Verdes and Torrance. Competition gets under way at 9:30 a.m.

Each club may enter two members from 16-20 years of age. No entrant may have received more than one moving traffic citation in the past six months. Club members who have been cited for racing or reckless driving are ineligible. Officer Buck Ingram, of the Torrance Police Department, said this week.

Applications may be picked up at any South Bay police office or at the Torrance Police Dept. All applications must be signed by the member and his legal guardian and be notarized.

HARBOR-ECC MEET

So that both junior colleges can participate in the Santa Ana Relays on Saturday, the Harbor-El Camino track meet scheduled for tomorrow has been moved up to today, according to Selwyn Yanco, athletic director of Harbor Junior College.

Both colleges will be out for the big win on this meet as they each have yet to get their first Metropolitan Conference win.

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